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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated <u>January 22, 2009</u>. The shortened statutory period for response expires on <u>February 22, 2009</u>. This response is submitted prior to shortened statutory period for reply, therefore, no extension fee is required to enter this response.

Prior to reconsidering this application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.